# Pick-WIC Paper

# **NORTH DAKOTA WIC PROGRAM**

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# Ramen Noodle Skillet Bean Dip Slow Cooker Beef Stew Fruit Crumble Zippy Noodle Casserole

### Ramen Noodle Skillet

2 teaspoons vegetable or olive oil

1 cup chopped onion (about 1 medium onion)

- 1 carrot, chopped or sliced into small pieces
- 2 cups frozen broccoli stir-fry vegetable mix
- 2 cups cooked meat or poultry, cut into bite-size pieces
- 1 cup water
- 1 package (3 ounces) beef-flavored instant ramen noodles
- Heat oil in a large skillet. Add onion and carrots; sauté until soft, about 5 minutes.
- 2. Thaw the broccoli mixture in the microwave and drain.
- 3. Add the broccoli and cooked meat to the skillet. Cook and stir about 1 to 2 minutes.
- In a small bowl, mix the water with the ramen noodle seasoning packet and stir. Add to the skillet.
- Break apart the ramen noodles. Add to the skillet when the water simmers; stir. Cover the skillet and cook until done, about 2 minutes.

Recipe Source: http://www.extension.iastate.edu/foodsavings

**Nutrition Note:** This recipe makes 4 servings. Each serving has 380 calories, 16 grams of fat and 21 grams of carbohydrates.

# Tips for Raising Healthy Eaters

Be a good role model by eating meals with a variety of foods, such as low-fat or fat-free dairy products, lean meats and beans, fruits, vegetables, and whole grains.

Adapted from the Dairy Council of California

# Bean Dip

- 1 can (15 ounces) pinto beans, drained and mashed
- 1 container (15-16 ounces) salsa
- 1 can (4 ounces) diced chilies
- 1 cup shredded reduced-fat cheddar cheese
- Mix all ingredients together and heat (in a microwave-safe bowl in the microwave or in a saucepan on the stove) until heated through.
- 2. Serve with tortilla chips.

**Nutrition Note:** This recipe makes 16 servings. Each serving has 40 calories, 0.5 grams of fat and 6 grams of carbohydrates.

# Breastfeeding: Why breastfeed?



"To have a healthier baby."

 $\sim$  Chelsea, WIC Breastfeeding Mom from Fort Totten, N.D.

For more information about breastfeeding, check out our breastfeeding website at <a href="https://www.ndhealth.gov/breastfeeding">www.ndhealth.gov/breastfeeding</a>.

# **Slow Cooker Beef Stew**

11/2 - 2 pounds beef stew meat, cut into 1-inch cubes

1/4 cup all-purpose flour

Salt and pepper to taste

- 2 cups low-sodium beef broth
- 1 clove garlic, finely chopped
- 3 medium carrots, sliced
- 3 medium potatoes, diced
- 1 medium onion, chopped
- 1 stalk celery, sliced
- 1 teaspoon dried thyme leaves, crushed
- 1 bay leaf
- 1. Place the meat in a slow cooker.
- Mix the flour, salt and pepper in a medium bowl and pour over the meat. Stir to coat.
- 3. Add remaining ingredients and stir together.
- 4. Cover and cook on low for 8 to 10 hours, or on high for 4 to 6 hours.
- 5. Stir stew thoroughly and discard bay leaf before serving.

**Nutrition Note:** This recipe makes 6 servings. Each serving has 330 calories, 8 grams of fat and 28 grams of carbohydrates.

## **Fruit Crumble**

1 can (15 ounces) sliced peaches\*, drained

1 can (15.25 ounces) apricot halves\*, drained

1 can (8 ounces) pineapple chunks\* or fruit of choice, drained

1 can (15.25 ounces) tropical fruit salad\*, drained

1/2 cup all-purpose flour

½ teaspoon cinnamon

1/4 cup sugar

1/4 cup packed brown sugar

4 tablespoons cold butter or margarine, cut up

Whipped topping (optional)

- 1. Preheat oven to 375 degrees.
- Place the well-drained fruit in a 9-inch square baking dish. Mix gently with a rubber spatula.
- In a small bowl, combine the flour, cinnamon and sugar, crumbling any lumps. Using a fork or pastry blender, cut in the butter until the mixture forms crumbs. Sprinkle over the fruit.
- Bake until golden brown, about 45 to 50 minutes.
- Serve warm or at room temperature. Serve with whipped topping, if desired.
- \* To reduce the amount of calories and added sugars, use fruits canned in their own juice instead of fruits canned in syrup.

Recipe Source: NDSU Extension Service

**Nutrition Note:** This recipe makes 9 servings. Each serving has 200 calories, 5 grams of fat and 39 grams of carbohydrates.





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Turn Off the TV

Make "sparklers" by taping tinsel to the end of a drinking straw. Children can have fun dancing with these sparklers to celebrate the New Year!

Source: Dakota Dog Digs Food, Fitness & Fun!

# **Zippy Noodle Casserole**

1 pound lean ground beef

½ cup chopped onion

1 bag (12 ounces) medium egg noodles, uncooked

1 jar (14 ounces) spaghetti sauce

2 cups water

3 cups shredded reduced-fat mozzarella cheese

- 1. Preheat oven to 325 degrees. Coat a 9x13-inch baking dish with nonstick cooking spray.
- In a skillet, brown the ground beef with the onions. Drain and rinse excess fat.
- Spread uncooked noodles in the baking dish. Layer the beef and onions over the noodles.
- Mix the spaghetti sauce and water in a saucepan. Simmer for 5 minutes. Pour sauce over meat and noodles.
- Sprinkle mozzarella cheese evenly over top. Cover pan tightly with aluminum foil and bake for 1 hour.

**Nutrition Note:** This recipe makes 8 servings. Each serving has 400 calories, 14 grams of fat and 36 grams of carbohydrates.

# **GROWING HAPPY FAMILIES**



# Shop smart to eat smart.

Save money by offering foods that fit your budget. Buy in-season produce when it costs less and tastes better. Plan in advance and buy foods on sale.